

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, MAY 12, 2005 – 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Nationally, initial attack activity was light with 49 fires reported. Two new large fires were reported, one each in the Alaska and Southern Areas. One large fire was contained in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona and Alaska.

ALASKA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES

ISLAND LAKE, Tok Area Forestry. This fire is 45 miles southeast of Northway, AK in open black spruce and dry tundra. Fire made several large runs with isolated torching.

TRACY AVENUE, Kenai Kodiak Area Forestry. This fire is nine miles northeast of Homer, AK in timber. Open flame, with individual torching and smoldering was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ISLAND LAKE	AK	TAS	400	0	5/20	37	4	0	0	0	\$51K
TRACY AVENUE	AK	KKS	5,385	90	5/16	86	6	10	3	1	\$1.3M

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

SUNDAY, Coronado National Forest. This fire is 25 miles southeast of Sonoita, AZ in grass and understory. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. No new information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SUNDAY	AZ	CNF	365	95	UNK	170	4	4	2	0	\$300K

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
LITTLE PEAVINE MTN.	TN	TNS	2,000	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR

TNS = Tennessee Division of Forestry

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: The low pressure system which has been parked over the West the last few days is now moving east of the Rockies. Meanwhile, high pressure covers most of the eastern half of the country with gusty winds expected in New England. In Alaska, high pressure is slowly weakening over the area.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southwest Warmer and drier, but less windy. Mostly sunny, except mostly cloudy with a few showers or storms northern NM mountains and portions of west TX.	50 to 70 mountains, 70 to 90 lower elevations.	8 to 20% most of AZ and NM lowlands, 20 to 40% NM mountains and west TX plains.	W to SW 5 to 15 mph AZ and western NM, SW to S 10 to 20 mph and gusty eastern NM and west TX.
Southern California Mostly sunny.	55 to 70 mountains. 75 to 85 valleys. 70 to 80 upper deserts. 85 to 95 lower deserts.	20 to 40%.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

IN COUNTRY NOT SEEN IN DAYLIGHT

Often firefighters arrive on a fire after dark. This is recognized as Watchout Situation #2. Before safely fighting fire in country not seen in daylight, firefighters must be able to answer the following questions:

- Can the resources you are replacing give you a thorough briefing? Identify whom you might get information from. Can you meet up with the departing crew/engine leaders?
- Can you observe the area/use scouts? List ways you could observe the area you need to work.
- Have escape routes and safety zones been thoroughly scouted and marked for night use? Talk about what constitutes an escape route and a safety zone; who would identify them; and in what ways might they be marked.
- Have potential dangers been located; can they be mitigated? What are the dangers associated with Watchout Situation #2? How can they be worked around?
- Reduce the risks by:
 - Posting lookouts.
 - Checking communications.
 - Retreat if you have doubts about your escape routes or safety zones or the situation becomes too complex. Give examples of arriving on a fire after dark and what was done to allow you to fight fire safely in country not seen in daylight.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					9		9
Northwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
Northern California	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1			9		10
	ACRES		1			57		58
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					14	2	16
	ACRES					60	75	135
Southern Area	FIRES					14	3	17
	ACRES					267	72	339
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	0	0	40	7	49
	ACRES	1	1	0	0	393	147	542

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1	1		87	2	91
	ACRES		2	0		6,330	14	6,346
Northwest	FIRES	25	12	5		56	28	126
	ACRES	140	11	8		133	30	322
Northern California	FIRES					121	28	149
	ACRES					36	25	61
Southern California	FIRES		3	2		192	21	218
	ACRES		10	0		547	5	562
Northern Rockies	FIRES	240	1	14		73	18	346
	ACRES	4,542	136	480		1,244	1,291	7,693
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	9			5	2	17
	ACRES	790	2			5	0	797
Western Great Basin	FIRES		10	2	3	2		17
	ACRES		14	70	6	0		90
Southwest	FIRES	102	29	4	3	171	82	391
	ACRES	5,329	1,207	1,501	8	19,990	1,028	29,063
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	37	11	13	2	87	18	168
	ACRES	2,427	11	148	3	14,852	1,614	19,055
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		27	29	5,781	359	6,685
	ACRES	7,037		1,406	937	48,907	7,428	65,715
Southern Area	FIRES	154		63	6	12,951	376	13,550
	ACRES	25,660		4,943	114	136,021	10,183	176,921
TOTAL	FIRES	1,048	76	131	43	19,526	934	21,758
	ACRES	45,925	1,393	8,556	1,068	228,065	21,618	306,625

Ten Year Average Fires	29,498
Ten Year Average Acres	589,522

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	30						30
Northern California	FIRES				1		0	1
	ACRES				0		182	182
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		188				125	313
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				0	1
	ACRES		0				86	86
Eastern Area	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					55	4	59
Southern Area	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					400	1,650	2,050
TOTAL	FIRES	1	2	0	1	2	4	10
	ACRES	30	188	0	0	455	2,047	2,720

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					400		400
Northwest	FIRES	16	74	33	2		142	267
	ACRES	4,006	9,328	2,054	249		8,509	24,146
Northern California	FIRES	12	15	6	16		99	148
	ACRES	188	527	19,055	1,217		7,113	28,100
Southern California	FIRES	1	4	4	3		52	64
	ACRES	800	473	8	1,307		1,979	4,567
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	23	58	1	26	186	297
	ACRES	135	3,179	9,651	1	1,602	18,546	33,114
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	13	4	1	8	15	42
	ACRES	1	3,491	711	12	115	2,476	6,806
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	10				13
	ACRES		74	2,711				2,785
Southwest	FIRES	3	21	2	7		193	226
	ACRES	631	20,543	3,210	12,175		42,418	78,977
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	28	35	94	12	15	84	268
	ACRES	3,707	7,902	17,784	10,309	2,476	23,482	65,660
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		356	32	726	119	1,262
	ACRES	17,410		59,526	4,272	49,259	24,322	154,789
Southern Area	FIRES	34		127	35	307	961	1,464
	ACRES	7,180		69,748	16,044	199,274	807,654	1,099,900
TOTAL	FIRES	127	188	694	109	1,084	1,851	4,053
	ACRES	34,058	45,517	184,458	45,586	253,126	936,499	1,499,244

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	7	0	151	565
Yukon Territory	1	0	4	1
Alberta	10	0	328	4,228
Northwest Territory	0	0	2	301
Saskatchewan	4	0	48	923
Manitoba	0	0	39	906
Ontario	7	9	123	428
Quebec	13	24	170	190
Newfoundland	0	0	22	61
New Brunswick	0	0	150	253
Nova Scotia	0	0	129	443
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	8	18
Total	42	0	1,174	8,318

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	5	7	5	5		3			12	8
Northwest										
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	3	2		4	2				43	20
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area	1	4	2	6		1			5	10
Southern Area										
Total	9	13	7	15	2	4	0	0	60	38

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